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New Student [1 + 2]

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[Part 1]

Mei : How are you going to teach me again? You don't exactly fit the "Teacher" description.

Redson : I may not be able to teach you like a proper teacher would but I know someone who can.

Redson holds Mei's hand and they vanish into this tiny ball of fire and it starts hopping around here and there leaving some burn marks wherever it goes. The ball stops Infront of the gates of a beautiful temple with white and red walls and gold embroidered into beautiful swirls. The ball of fire becomes a bigger fire and after it went out Mei and Redson stood in its place. Redson walks up to the gate with Mei behind him admiring the building inside from afar. He summons a ball of fire in his hands and reaches up to the gate as the fire catches on to the keyhole of the gate and spreads throughout the whole door. The gate remains the same and they can hear a click as the gate opens slightly letting them know they can come in.

Redson opens the gate and peeks his head inside while looking around. He finally steps in and motions Mei to follow him, Mei does so and once she got inside the door slams with a a loud bang that made her jump in her spot. She turns her head to Redson who is already on the steps of the temple and Mei runs to him trying not to lose him. As they walk Mei takes in her surroundings. The insides were just like the outside. Red walls and white pillars with gold patterns but these patterns were not just swirls. They were a phoenix and a dragon. Mei stared at the dragon and thought that maybe it was another one of her great great great uncles. She was excited to see another of her family members.

They made it into a room with a small table in the middle with two cushions on the floor on both sides. Mei felt like they were being

watched and looked around trying to find those eyes. Wherever they are. Sitting on the frame that supports the roof is a man with red eyes, split yellow and orange short hair. He's got big wings that he could use to shield his whole body. His red eyes stare down at them intensely observing their every move. The man opens his mouth and says

??? : Password?

Mei : Oh Uhm... Abracadabra?

??? : What are you? Five?

Mei : I-

Redson : We don't have a password.

??? : Hmm.. Nickname then.

Redson sighs and blushes a bit out of embarrassment. He's contemplating whether to say it or not. After a while he decides to just get it over with

Redson : FireBee...

??? : I can't hear you. Could you say it a bit louder?

Redson : ... Fire. Bee.

??? : Mmm... A bit more louder.

Redson : FIREBEE!

Redson shouts as his hair fires up above his head almost hitting the roof. The man smiles at them and jumps down to the floor. He stands up and walks towards Redson. He looks down at him as Redson looks up at him. They stare at eachother for a sec .

??? : Welcome back Redkid :)

[Part 2]

The man wraps his arms around Redson pulling him into a big bear

hug and Redson tries to make him let go. He puts him down and pats his head and also messing up his hair. Mei enjoys the man's fatherly vibe and gets a bit more comfortable.

??? : How's my favorite student doing? I've missed you.

Redson : I'm your ONLY student and I've been well. I'd like you to meet... My friend. Mei.

Mei : Hello! I'm Mei Dragon. It's nice to meet you Mr...

??? : Melvin but you can just call me Mel for short. I'm so happy to meet one of Redsons friends! You're the first person to befriend my hot headed student. I'm hoping you guys are getting along?

Mei : Oh yeah! We're getting along great!

Redson : * Clears Throat * We're here because we need your help. You're the only person I could think of who could help us. You see, Dragon girl here needs to find a way to control her new fire powers. It's pretty destructive if it gets out of control. We were wondering if you could help us find a way to control it? Atleast down a notch.

Mel : There nothing I can't figure out. I'm sure I have something around here that can help with that.

Mei : Really?

Mel : Ofcourse! I've been around for eons so I'm sure I can help you! Plus I'd be glad to take in Redsons friend as one of my students! But before that... Sweetie. You're looking like a terrible mess right now. That new power of yours is really really powerful huh? Well no worries I've got some spare clothes that would probably fit you in my room. I'll go find them. In the meantime, Red. Could you bring her to your old room and set the futons down there for you two? You know where they are right? I'll be with you guys in a bit.

Redson : Yes yes I know. Come on Dragon girl follow me.

Mei follows Redson to a room on the second floor. The room had a closet and its own bathroom. She went into the bathroom and washed the dirt off her face. She heard a knock on the door and

opened it to see Mel with some folded clothes in his hands, in the background she can see that Redson is laying down the futons. Mel handed her the clothes and she took them closing the door and changing into the new attire.

After she was done she walks out and immediately laid down on the futons with Red also laying on the futon beside her. Mel goes up to the door and turns off the lights in the room. He mentioned something about starting the training tomorrow and walks out closing the door as Mei shuts her eyes and falls asleep.

Training [3]

Smoke fills the air,the crackling of an on going fire is everywhere. Tripitaka watches as Mel struggles to break the chains they put on him. He has never seen anything like this before, fire so hot and a power so powerful even the celestial beings can't stop. He calls it the ' Tru Fire ' . He doesn't know how such a peaceful being could be so destructive. For now. They'll have to lock him away until they find something to stop this.

Redson :
Fenghuang...

Fenghuang..

FENGHUANG!

Mel : Yes? [Looks up at Redson and away from the book]

Redson : We've been following your advice and she still hasn't sparked a single flame yet.

Mei : Yeah! Is this book like. Outdated or something?

Mel : Hmm... I guess so. Oh well! I'll just use my methods. What usually gets it to come out?

Mei : I guess... When I feel like really strong emotions. Like the time when I was at the mountain. I was so Angry and Disappointed at Monkey King that it just. Pops up.

Mel : Great! Now we know what makes it come out. Now I want you to relive that moment and try to feel those same emotions again.

Redson : Wait- Are you sure this is safe? We are in the middle of a forest? What if the place catches on fire?

Mel : Don't worry it won't. Mei's going to control it or atleast turn it down a notch. Alright Mei go ahead!

Mei : [Inhales and Exhales] Here goes nothing.

Mei closes her eyes and pictures the scenes that happened on the mountain and tries to fell the same emotions she felt when she was shouting at Wukong for being the worst mentor for her best friend. The way he'd leave him to fight for himself and the way he'd put him in the middle of danger when he's obviously not ready for it. Mei's body gets hotter and hotter and in a few seconds she's engulfed in dark red flames. She opens her eyes and notices it. She's scared. She's sacred she might hurt them. She starts to panic and the fire becomes big and uncontrollable. Mel notices and starts shouting

Mel : Mei! Calm down! The fire isn't going to hurt us if you just control it! Now I need you to try and atleast get the flames to shrink to a smaller size. Feel it flowing from your whole body to ONLY your hands. Can you do that?

Mei : [Breaths in, gulps] I'll try...

Mei closes her eyes to focus on the energy surrounding her. She slowly tries to let the energy from her whole body to her chest to her hands. Once she does it she takes a peek. She did it. She did it! She puts her hand to the front of her face and stares in awe. She stood up and looks at Mel with a smile on her face. Mel smiles back in a "You did it" kind of way.

Mei : I did it! I did it! Red! Red! Look!

Redson : I see it Dragon girl. You did great.

Mei shows it off by waving her amrs around watching as the fire follows her palm and Redson letting her have her fun. Mel watches them from the patio and smiles in relief. He stares at the fire in her palm and gets a sudden headache. He grunts and rubs his temple to relieve it. Why did his head start to hurt? He shrugs it off and walks inside to make some tea for them.

Macaque has been watching MK and Nezha from afar now and they are currently at the place where Lady Bone Demon appeared. After leaving Mei and Redson at the temple he couldn't help but wonder. Why was the Phoenix pretending to forget what he did to Him. To Wukong. To Lady ChuHoa. To the whole town! He will never forgive him for all of this. The bird tricked him into thinking he was Ill but he was just using him as a pawn and kill the one he loved. And the audacity of him to try and act like everything was fine. He wouldn't be fooled that easily. Not again atleast. The Phoenix will pay for what he has done.

A/N : This was short. I'll write a longer one next chapter. Or atleast I'll try to xP Thanks for reading :') Please share it around it would mean alot to me. Cheers guys!

Calmer Area [4]

A harsh kick was blown into Mei's side from a familiar red head, she grabbed his leg and swung him round and round and into a nearby tree. He grunted, getting back on his feet and immediately charging at Mei with his fist aflame. Mei changes her position to a standing one, her foot Infront of the other with her hands put together above her chest and her eyes closed. She breaths in and tries to repeat the things Mel has thought her. She breaths out and opens her eyes, she grabs Redsons Wrist and pulls him towards her before ducking down and sweeping him off his feet. She grabs her blade she inherited from her family and swiftly paint the sharp end at Redsons throat, Not close enough to hurt him but close enough to stop him from making another move. They breath heavily and smiles at eachother before Mei helps him up.

Redson : You learn fast Dragon girl. Impressive.

Mei : Thanks Redboy.

They smile at eachother before they were interrupted by Mel walking out into the yard.

Mel : Alright! You guys ready to learn more about what kinda stuff you can do with your powers?

Redson : Like what? I'm pretty sure I've already learned alot from my reading?

Mel : Oh no no. That's just the basics! There are tons of more tricks you can do with these babies!

Mel says as he summons a flame in his hands. Redson and Mei watches him as if waiting for him to show them these tricks he's talking about. Mel catches on and decides to show off a bit. Fire appears in the palm of his hands and his other hands reaches towards his palm and pulls something inside the fire. He pulls out a whole chain whip with a blade at the end and slashes the blade part

onto the ground. The cut he made had suddenly lit itself up making it visibly painful for anyone who would be the unfortunate person to get injured by this sick weapon. Mei and Redson were amazed and Mel continued to show them other stuff. He showed them his flammable blood, his big fists of fire that he can summon and other stuff.

Mei wanted to learn all of them and so did Redson. They wanted Mel to teach them but Mel said that they probably didn't have time to since they had to focus on helping Mei fully control her powers and the both of them have somewhere to be soon. They don't have much time. Mei and Redson understood and went back to training. Mei was kind of stressed about the whole saving the world thing, if she messes up and she can't control the True Fire. Her expression gives it away and Mel catches on. He has a place in mind, a place that he used to go to with an old friend of his but the memory is blurry so he doesn't knew who that friend is unfortunately. He gets up and walks into his temple to get some things for the thing he's planning.

[An hour later]

Mei and Redson are in the middle of sparring when they hear a whistle from the patio on the side of the temple. Mel stands there with a grin on his face holding a basket. He motions them to come to him and they do.

Mei : What's that for?

Mel : We're going to go somewhere. A pretty place I found.

Redson : And where is this place exactly?

Mel : Oh it's pretty far and it's going to take a few hours if we walk. So I hope you guys aren't afraid of heights.

Redson : What?

The clear blue sky is beautiful, there are some beautiful fluffy clouds and so many different coloured birds. Red, Green, Yellow and Orange. Hold on- That's not a bird. It's Mel flying fast in the air with Mei and Redson in his arms holding on for dear life. Mei is having a grand time but Redson... Not so much. He's usually the one driving the plane but this. This is a whole different experience. Cheers of excitement and screams of fear fill the air and a bit of laughter from Mel. Mel wanted to scare them a bit or more like scare Redson a bit. So he flies up into the air and when he's satisfied with the height he casually falls down letting Redson and Mei scream as they fall. When it was enough Mel spreads his wings and they are in the air again flying to the spot that Mel was talking about. It looked like a shrine and it was made inside a hole in the mountain. It had a wooden staircase leading down to a balcony and the view from there was absolutely beautiful. It cleared all of their minds instantly and all they wanted to do right now was sit down and enjoy the view.

Mel : From now on. This is where you'll be training. It'll help you calm your nerves and maybe stop you from accidentally burning my trees.

Mei : This place is absolutely gorgeous!

Redson : It really is. Absolutely beautiful.

Mel smiled as he sees them relaxing. He decided to pause the training for a bit and let them enjoy the moment before they continue their training to destroy the Lady Bone Demon.

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Get to know [5]

Laughter fills the air as Mei tells Mel about how she met her friends including Redson. Mel wipes the tears in his eyes from laughing too hard away and tries to calm down.

Mel : Wait so, your friend.. MK was it?

Mei : Yeah yeah!

Mel : So he ate these cursed meatballs and got a never ending hiccup?

Mei : Yeah! Honestly Pigsy told him not to but we didn't listen haha! It was funny seeing him trying to unsuccessfully hold it in.

Redson : Pfft that sounds like him alright. He never seems to think before he does things.

Mel : He sounds like a joy to be around. I'd love to meet him one day. Maybe I can let him fly in The Fenghuang airlines someday.

Mei : He's had a fair share of flying so I'm sure he'd love the Fenghuang airlines. Enough about us, We'd love to know more about you Mister Fire Bird Sir. What's your backstory?

Mel : Oh? Uhmmm.. Well I don't know alot about my past but Me and my childhood friend QingLong help people out with their relationships I guess. Kinda like a therapist for when people are having a bad relationship whether its with their significant other or their best friend. I know that the celestial realm adores the dragons and the Phoenix but sometimes it gets annoying. Some celestials just can't keep their hands to themselves... Anyways, other things about me is that every 500 years I'll reincarnate and when I die I'll have to wait until my 500 years are done before I can reincarnate again. Every reincarnation is a factory reset and all my memories will be wiped away but Ofcourse there is a way to get it back. Anything that is given to me I can use it to store my memories and

when I reincarnate all I have to do is touch it and ta-da! My memories will be back. If I don't do it then those memories will be long gone.

Redson : That's. Fascinating. Hmm... Can you get your memories by like a view or a place?

Mel : Ive never tried that. There are alot of things missing from my memory I'm sure. I've asked QingLong about more of my past but he seemed... Hesitant about telling me but in the end he just changed the subject.

Mei : Dang. You must've done something really bad if he wanted to keep it a secret from you.
[Mei tosses an orange into her mouth and chews]

Mel : Yeah I guess. But I can figure that out another time. Right now! I've got to teach you how to control your powers!

Mel gets up and grabs something from the basket. A couple of plates and some chopsticks. He throws them at Mei and she barely manages to catch them in her arms. Redson got up and immediately knew what Mel was going to do.

Redson : Wait wait! Can't we try something else first? I don't think she ready for all the focus she needs for this one.

Mel : Hmm... I guess you're right. How about some meditation first? Maybe that'll help you not let your emotions get the best of you. Even the slightest strong emotion you feel can make you lose control and destroy the whole world. So it's best not to start with these.

Mel grabs the Plates and Chopsticks and puts them aside.

Mel : I'll let Red take over for now. I have to get some more stuff for our training back at the temple and maybe some more food. We're kind of running out. Here Redson!

Mel hands him the book they found in the box and opens it to point at a list he made of what to do.

Mel : Just follow these and everything will go smoothly and if you want you can add in your own little training exercises.

Redson : Will do FireBird Sir. [Redson scans the list and recognizes atleast half of these training exercises and the other half are somethings he's never seen before] I guess I'll just wait until Mel comes back to do those until then I'll just let Mei do the others.

Redson closes the book and places it next to the staircase and walks up to Mei. He's telling her that they should walk around down on the ground later to find a place to train so they don't ruin their resting place while Mel is getting ready to fly off. In the middle of stretching Mel remembers something that Qinglong told him about and he's done this to all of his close friends and he would consider the relationship he has with Mei and Redson as close. So he plucked one of his feathers and tied it up with a small piece of loose string he found on his clothes and made a necklace out of it. He walks up to Redson and Mei and hands Redson the feather necklace.

Mel : If anything happens just slightly pinch the feather and I'll be notified. I'll come back as fast as I can. And if you need to find me it'll point to my direction and the hotter it gets the closer you are to me. Alright? Alright.

Redson nods and puts the makeshift necklace around his neck and the feather floats pointing towards Mel glowing a bright yellow colour. Mel turns away and Mel raise his wings as he flaps it for a bit and flies up into the air, he flies to the direction of where they came from. Fire appearing and disappearing in his tracks as he disappears in the sky.

Redson turns his head away from the sky to turn to Mei who's getting ready to jump down from the balcony but Redson sighs and grabs her by the waist and carries her like a child while he uses his fire teleportation to bring them to the ground. And so the meditation begins.

She's here. [6]

A loud scream pierced through the sky as MK falls into the trees of the forest and into a pool of mud breaking his fall. MK gets up with his clothes dirtied, a frog is on his head and he looks around to scan his surroundings trying to comprehend what just happened. Before he could process anything a loud roar can be heard and a strong gust of wind hits him from behind making him fall on all fours. He recognizes that roar. He turns around and calls out Mei's name as he runs towards where the roar came from. Not without tripping over and over again.

Mei is balancing on one foot on top of the Chopsticks and plates that Mel have Redson before he left.

Redson : Mmh... Not bad Dragon Girl. It's been nearly five minutes since your last explosion. Keep this up and you'll be ready to wield the fire in not time.

A rustle of some leaves can be heard near the potted plants down on the balcony and Redson takes notice. He stares at it before jumping down and lighting up fire in his hands. The bush rustles even more and a muddy monster comes out of it. It's ugly screech and it's green glowing eyes makes it look less menacing. Until another set of eyes open up and Redsons thoughts clicked and he distinguished it immediately. Heavily sighing.

Redson : For the love of- I thought you were-

Mei : MUD MONSTER!

Redson : What? No you Imbecile! It's just-

Before He could stop her Mei summons the red dragon from before and fires it at MK as the mud starts to Harden and MK looks like a statue. There was silence for a second before MK breaks free and runs to Mei immediately hugging her.

MK : Mei! Y- You're Okay! You're not on fire! What happened!?

Mei : Yup Yup! Okay! I'm okay. Really. Actually it's all thanks to Redboy!

MK : Whaaatt?

Redson : Oh yeah! He's been teaching me how to control my powers real good and he's been super relaxed and chill about it this whole time! If it wasn't for him and his Mentor, I probably would've burned up the whole world with samadhi fire by now.

MK : Wait! That's right! The lady Bone Demon. She's after the samadhi fire.

Redson : What! And you came here!?

The once bright blue sky turned into a very dark blue in an instant as a bright shine came from it and swiftly landing on to the Balcony of the structure. It was Sun Wukong. With his eyes glowing blue. He stood up straight and just stares at the three adults Infront of him. Mei looks at him in surprise.

Mei : Monkey King?

Mk : No. Not anymore.

Redson : It's her. The Lady Bone Demon. She's possessed Wukong just like she did to my father when we used that magic key to release her.. from her... prison. [He laughs nervously] Oh boy.

MK : Yeah. Thanks Redson.

Lady Bone demon's laugh can be heard somewhere in the sky. As the three look up a silhouette of the demon is there.

LBD : So we meet again. Son of the Demon Bull King. You're right, I never quite thanked you for freeing me from my prison. Your father was the most fitting host for my power in the time we had.

Redson growls while listening to her words. He felt guilty for releasing her. If only he could turn back time.

LBD : Wukong on the other hand. Well. He's something else.

As she says that Wukong walks forward with so much force the floor of the balcony where he stepped on crushed into pieces. The three stares at him getting ready for whatever move Wukong was going to make.

Redson : I'm guessing we can't beat him.

MK : No. But if the Lady Bone Demon gets the fire...

LBD : That is one other thing I must Thank you for. Keeping the Samadhi fire within you until it's original host reincarnates. Why without you. I wouldn't have been able to fulfill my destiny.

Redson : What? But I created the samadhi fire... That's what my father told me!

LBD : Oh your Father doesn't know a single thing about it's original story. You see.. you were the first one to keep it in you. You didn't create it. Another celestial being did. The celestial being became corrupted and with all it's sins it created the Samadhi fire. The monk didn't know how to get rid of it until you we're born with it. So the only solution back then was to kill it's host. Ever since then the fire has been hiding within you until it's original host arrives. But I'm glad it was you. It makes my mission so much easier.

Redson : We have to get out of here. Now!

LBD : But that is where your usefulness ends.

Before Redson could dodge Monkey King punches his stomach and send him flying into the structure. Wukongs head turns to Mei.

LBD : There is no where left to run. No place you can go where I cannot find you.

Mei's blood boils and she tries to stay calm but she can't. Seeing her friends get hurt is the last thing she likes.

LBD : Why drag this on longer then is necessary? I have waited long enough. Bring her to me now!

Lady Bone Demons voice echoes and Wukong charges at Mei with his fist ball'd up ready to strike but MK gets Infront of Mei and shouts at him to stop. Wukong halts his fist Infront of him and the air hits them instead.

MK : You're stronger than her. Force her out.

In a moment of silence Wukong places his hand on Mk's shoulder and he thinks that he's done it but before he could say anything else Wukongs grip tightens and throws MK off the balcony. The Balconies walls break and MK holds on to the rope that he saw and just hangs there off the edge of the structure. He gasps.

Mei : MK?

Wukong turns to Mei and Mei lets out a her fire powers pushing Wukong further away from her. The Fire surrounds Mei as she hovers in the air not far from the ground.

LBD : So this is the power of the samadhi fire.

Mei : Stay back! Or were gonna find out what burning monkey hair smells like.

Lady Bone Demon Chuckles (School girl style haha)
LBD : You think whatever happens to Wukong is of concern to me? He is a vessel. Nothing more. You would really destroy your own friend to save yourself?

Mei angrily looks at Wukong until Redsons and Mel's advice pops up in her head.

" Harmonize the wild energy and emotions burning within us and focus them "

" You have to learn to get along with your power. If not then what's the point? It's like wielding a sword without any training "

Mei : Wukong knew the risks. It's what he would do if he had to. That's the hard part of being a hero.

Mei stretches her arms out on her sides and brings together Infront

of her stomach and up towards her torso. A small red fire summons in her palms and she moves her hands around her to collect the fire that surrounds her and into the palm of her hands.

" Calm. "

She repeats the words told to her as sh positions her hands on her sides into a position.

" Focus. "

She puts her arm Infront of her with her palm wide open as the Samadhi fire shoots out like a flame thrower Infront of her. She aims at Wukong and LBD laughs.

LBD : Hero? Please.

Wukong stands unbothered by the supposedly scorching hot fire that's hitting him right in the face. Wukong walks towards her casually. LBD knows that without the full power of the Samadhi fire Mei won't stand a chance with how much power she's been gathering for this particular day.

LBD : You're not heroes. You're mere agents of Chaos. The very thing I aspire to eradicate in this new world. No more destruction. No more disorder. I will have perfection!

Wukong gets to Mei and shuts her palms into a fist. Cold ice comes out of his palms as it starts to slowly cover Mei's fist with the cold solid. MK climbs back up and sees that Mei is getting Frozen by the very person he calls his Mentor. Mei looks at MK and smiles as tears fills her eyes. A gust of wind hits MK from the explosion Infront of him. As the cold smoke disappears he finds Mei frozen in the ice Wukong made. Wukong has his back turned to MK as he turns his head to glare at him. An electric blue smoke surrounds him and in a blink of an eye both him and Mei vanished. The sky becomes normal again and Redson pops out from the rubble of the building.

Redson : Dragon Girl! We have to go after them.

He grunts in pain as he holds his right arm.

MK : No. What we need is a plan, If we go after them now there no way we'd win.

Redson : But our only chance to beat the Lady Bone Demon just teleported away. The Dragon Girl was our last hope.

MK : As long as we're still standing. There's always hope! Mei is more stubborn than anyone I know between that and your training. She's not going to give up the Samadhi fire without a fight!

Redson : Ugh. I can't tell if you're being heroic or moronic. But alright let's make a plan.

MK : Alright! Leggo!

Mk grabs Redsons wrist and pulls him towards the edge of where he fell. Redson panics.

Redson : Wait! What are you- Woah!

MK throws Redson Infront of him making the Redboy doing flips over and over again as MK transforms into an eagle version of himself and grabs Redson by the back of his shirt and flies off. Redsons screams can be heard and this might be the last time he ever let's anyone other than himself fly.

In the distance. Mel comes back with an arm full of food and some other items for their training. When he lands he calls out to Redson and Mei but no response. He's a little worried but what caught his attention is the state of the building. It was all broken and messed up. He thought if this was Mei's doing then everything would be a bit more burnt than this. Before he could investigate more he feels a tingle and his wings light up. He looks at them and thinks.

" Oh no. Redson. Mei. "

He summons a compass from a tiny flame in the palm of his hands. The compass had a feather engraved into the top. He puts down the items he had in his hands and shot up into the sky and faster almost matching the speed of light he flew towards the direction where

Redson and MK left before and he was hoping that they were safe.

The Gang [7]

[image]

??? : *Sigh* I'm not gonna lie kid.

The restaurant owner started off. Looking worried and stressed about the whole situation they were in.

Pigsy : If the Lady Bone Demon has Monkey King and Mei AND the Samadhi fire. I don't know, I'm not really feeling much confidence here.

MK : Pssh! Yeah! Thats why were gonna formulate a plan! I'm open to suggestions what do we got?

MK is trying to stay positive with the much confidence he has. Hoping that atleast one of them had some idea of what they were going to do now that 2 of their best fighters were kidnapped and possessed.

Everyone is silent.

Tang : Uhh.. Die with dignity?

Pigsy : What kind of plan is that!?

Tang : I don't know! Aren't we back to where we were when Monkey King and Mei flew off into the sky?

MK : What! It's nothing like that cause now we have a Redson! We've never had a Redson before!

Pigsy : Yeah he's a real game changer.

Redson : Hey!

As everyone began to argue Redsons shadow shifts and expands on to the statue he was leaning on. The shape of it seemingly different from Redsons. A smile is slapped onto the Shadow figure and

Macaque pops out of it scaring Redson half to death making him fall off the statue and scrambling to his feet facing the monkey.

Macaque : I hope I'm not interrupting but... If you're making a plan to defeat the lady Bone Demon. I know a guy who might be able to help.

After he says that a guy with Grey hair comes out of the shadows and plops down onto the dusty floor face first. He looks beaten up and disheveled but that doesn't stop him from grinning ear to ear at them.

The man known as Mayor has been telling them the backstory of his "Lady".

Mayor : All my Lady ever desired was a world no longer plagued by pain. Until the monkey king and his companions got in the way. Fate however has gifted her a second chance with the monkey king under her control there's no stop-

Before Mayor could even finish his sentence Pigsy pulled him up by his collar and looked him dead in the eye. Mayor was unfazed by the sudden action.

Pigsy : Yeah Yeah we get it Already! If I hear the word "destiny" one more time!

Tang : Pigsy! Put. The. Prisoner. Down!

MK : Monkey king beat her before. We can beat her again!

Redson : Hmph. I don't really see how. Now that she has Wukong AND The Dragon Girl.

After Redson mentioned that everyone suddenly looked hopeless and worried for their captured friends. Tang suddenly took Mayor's collar and pulled him as close to his face as possible and started turning into bad cop.

Tang : Alright Bozo! You're gonna tell us how Sun Wukong stopped The Lady Bone Demon last time or-

Mayor : Information won't help you now. My lady has corrected the one mistake in her previous plan.

MK: Oh! Right right right. And remind me- uh what was that mistake again?

Mayor : The mistake of spreading her compassion only to the mortal realm.

MK: Uhuh! I see and where is this Mortal realm?

Redson: You're in it you moron.

Mayor : She hadn't accounted for a celestial being to stand in her way. However, instead of Sun Wukongs swift vengeance The Great Monk showed my Lady mercy. Until she had come to see the error of her ways, she was to remain in prison. The Fools! Now her time has come again!

The Samadhi fire is the ONE thing strong enough to cleanse not only the mortal planes but the celestial realm and everything beyond that! A fresh start! A clean slate... Just as she had planned! The mech is a weapon to channel the Samadhi fire now that it's in her possession. It's only a matter of time until the final moment arrives.

Mei has been trying to keep it together in the Ice barricade that Wukong put her in. Working hard to control it and focus on one thing. To not let the Lady Bone Demon get the samadhi fire.

Mei : Breath. Focus.

Mayor : My lady's power is to great for you to best! You're friend will surrender the fire. My Lady's victory is assured!

Mayor laughs when a voice chimes in and makes his laughter come to an abrupt stop.

Macaque: She didn't look so hot last time I saw her.

Everyone turns their head to look at Macaque who is also tied up a few inches away from Mayor. He's been quiet this whole time just watching them bicker.

MK : Nu-Uh! You're in time out. So you don't get to chime in. Sandy! Spin him.

Sandy : Um.. Sorry Mr. Maquack.

Macaque: Ugh... Come on kid, you must've seen it. She might be stronger than ever but she's spread too thin. The mech, the crystal and now monkey king. I bet you anything that keeping him suppressed is using every ounce of strength she's got.

Sandy turns Macaque away from them and pats his head to show that he means no harm in his actions.

Redson : Meaning there's-

Sandy : There a vulnerability!

Redson : (Ugh. I was gonna say that.)

Pigsy: Woah ho ho. We're really going to listen to Macaque? For all we know he's still working for her! He could be luring us into a trap.

Tang turns to the statue of Monkey King. In the room filled with paintings of all the journey to the west gangs adventures and it motivates him to not be scared and to face his battles with the same calm attitude as his so called " Past life " . He is Tripitakas reincarnation. If he could do it then so can he. He turns to MK with a serious look on his face.

Tang : MK. From the moment you picked up the Monkey Kings staff, their stories became our stories. It's our responsibility to write the final chapter. No matter the outcome. If we do this. We do it together, that's monkey kid 101.

After Tangs wnderful speech everyone in the room were filled to the

brim with motivation and hope that they could actually defeat the Lady Bone Demon. They gathered together and fist bumped eachother as a sign of loyalty.
Sandy cheered and points at MK.

Sandy : Alright! So. What's the plan monkey man?

MK : Well, Of the Lady Bone Demon needs her mech to use the Samadhi fire then all we have to do is destroy that mech before she gets the chance.

Redson : That's your big plan!?

Tang : Let him finish!

Redson : I- I was just checking that we were all on the same page! As you were noodle boy.

As MK was explaining his part of the plan Macaque couldn't help the hair on his neck were standing up. That only happens when something is coming. Something horrible. He looked around and up at the whole in the roof. Just. Blue skies. Nothing there. He won't put down his guard so easily though. He'll be ready for whatever is coming.

MK : Then we fight monkey with monkey! This monkey!

He says as he points to Macaque.

Macaque: Look... I brought you the Lady Bone Demons lap dog but I'm not up for being a hero kid.

MK : We don't need you to beat him we just need you to keep him busy. As long as he's under her control then the mechs vulnerable. We can do this. You. Can do this.

Macaque: Nice speech kid but it's not gonna-

MK : UGh! Stop. You keep playing at being this bad guy! Acting like you're just in it for you! But I know. That deep deep down you're not that guy. Help us. Make it right.

Macaque: I'm not a hero bud...

MK : Then be a warrior!

Macaque wasn't going to lie. Using the warrior card on him was pretty cringe but was weirdly motivating. He Chuckles as the Shadow beneath him turned into a square shape as he sunk through the ground and back up again but this time he's out of the ropes that held him together. With his arms crossed and his head held high he was ready to fight and ready to put an end to this.

Macaque: Alright kid. You win.

Pigsy : What! You could have freed yourself this whole time?

Macaque: What can I say? I'm dramatic ~

As the gang got ready to face the dangers that was going to be thrown at them Redson notices that the feather Mel gave him was glowing and got a bit too hot. He let out a hiss and took the necklace off so it wouldn't burn his turtle neck and dropped it on the ground. Everybody else looked at him after they heard him hiss in pain and stared at the feather he dropped. The feather was rapidly spinning around in circles before it abruptly stopped at a direction. Now it wasn't South, nor was it west. It wasn't a direction a normal compass would go but it was pointing up.

The gang looked up at the ceiling and from there they could see a flame heading right towards them.

Tang : Meteor! Everyone take cover!

As everyone ran to different places in the room the flame they saw in the sky came crashing into the room. The ground shook as smoke filled the air. Empty papers and books were burnt. The gang coughed as alot of dust got into their lungs and tried to see through the smoke filled room. In the middle they could see bright wings glowing in the middle of the room where they once stood. Pieces of the ceiling were falling down onto the floor not wanting the room to have any moments of silence. The figure Infront of them turned around and stared at them with his red eyes.

Tang and Mel made eye contact which Mel immediately charged at him thinking he was the leader in the room. Mel grabs him by the neck and slams him into the wall.

Mel : Where are they? What did you do to them?

Mel spits out with a nasty glare on his face. Tang shivers at the gaze he's receiving and before he could say anything Redson holds Mel's forearm and tells him to put Tang down and that he's okay. Mel puts him down gently and apologizes to him before pulling Redson into a hug.

Mel : Ah I'm glad you're not hurt Red. If anything happened to you I wouldn't let anyone in this room get away with it. Oh and uhm Sorry about. The mess.

Mel looks around at the damage he's done and hisses at the sight of the slight hole in the middle where he landed and papers are blown everywhere. He notices the other people in the room. A pig in a chef outfit, a buff blue guy, a child? And a monkey. The Monkey looks at him with fear in his eyes.

Macaque : You...

A/N : small drawing for the funnies :)) Sorry it took long to publish this chapter. I was sick lol I'm doing better now tho just a stuffy nose that's all. Hope y'all have a good day!

[Chapter 8]

Macaque : It's you... I- You were supposed to be dead!

Mel : Do I know you?

Macaque : Oh now you're playing sheep huh? We'll just you wait till Wukong gets his hands on you-

Mel : Okay buddy. I don't know who you are but if you wanna fight me then go ahead but if you hurt my kids I'm gonna have to turn you into dinner.

Mel and Macaque glaring daggers at eachother. MK and Redson looks at them and decides to interfere. Whatever beef they've got with eachother, it's definitely not the time to resolve it. Mei and Monkey King are waiting to be saved.

MK : Alright! This isn't the time to fight eachother! We have to save Mei and Monkey King!

Mel : Monkey King? Wait. What happened to Mei!?

Redson : I'll explain later but we have to go now!

Redson dragged Mel to the van. Sandy made sure that everyone was here and stepped on the gas pedal and the van started to go at a speed most vans don't go. Whoever built it must've been really good at their job. Another version of MK started shouting at the front. Did this MK have a twin? If so Mei has never mentioned it to Mel. Redson performs a spell that Mel has seen before preformed by his Temple-mate Qinglong whenever he'd go on one of his work related trips. When Redson placed his hands on to the car floor he twisted them as if he was opening a door and a gigantic portal appears right Infront of the van. Mel never knew where Redson learned but he loved to read books. When he was little he would ask Mel to hand him some of his books whenever his parents were too busy to bring him to any libraries. He was a good kid. He just inherited his dad's

temper and is always seeking approval from the Bull King.

In a blink of an eye and they were there. The Lady Bone Demon's mech is standing proudly Infront of them, ready to activate at any moment. Everyone was determined to finally put an end to this nightmare.

Pigsy : Uhh... Remind me again how were gonna destroy this thing?

Redson : Macaque keeps Sun Wukong busy.

Sandy : We break in and find Mei.

Tang : Then we use MK's staff to smash that mech to bits!

MK : What? But the staffs gone.

Macaque : No. It's not. Bone Demon is keeping it at the top of the tower but I don't see how a stock is going to be of any help.

Sandy : Oh. That's easy! We'll give her the ol' monkey mech finishing blow! MK always uses his staff to do that.

Tang : Even if it's just a big old stick maybe it'll give you the power you'll need now to finish her.

Pigsy : This whole crazy adventure started with the staff. So make sense that we should use it to end it.

MK : Okay I'm glad you guys said that cause I'm not gonna lie I've really felt super incomplete without it.

Redson watches them as they talk before he was pulled away by Mel.

Mel : From what I know is that this Lady Bone Demon has Mei and this other monkey.. guy and I want to help too. It's been years since I've been in fights like this and I tend to stay away from them but I'll give this one all I've got.

Redson : Thanks Sensei.

Mel : Now what do I do?

Redson : You can help Macaque and MK distract Wukong. Two is better than one and he might need your help.

Macaque: What? I can-

MK : That's great! Monkey king is strong and Macaque can handle him but if anything goes wrong then we'll need your help!

Mel : Alright! It's settled. Lets bring Lady Bone Demon down.

Macaque sighs but puts on a straight face and slams the back door of the Van open while it's on the move.

Macaque: Come on kid! Let's go!

Mel and MK rushes towards Macaque. MK turns back to his friends as they nod and smile at him to show him that he can do it. That they can do it. MK smiles back at them as Macaque jumps out of the van and changes into a hawk and MK follows with. Mel turns to the others.

Mel : Are they related?

Everyone else shakes their head as Sandy just shrugs. Mel puts his head out and grabs onto the door and uses it to pull him up onto the next level of the van and spreads his wings out, he flies up and towards the direction of the tower, trailing behind MK and Macaque.

Macaque and MK arrive and turn back into themselves again and Infront is The Monkey Kings staff. Standing upright in ice chunks like " the sword in the stone " . MK breaths in and walks towards the staff.

MK : Here. Comes. Monkey...

Lady Bone Demon: King!

Out of nowhere Sun Wukong lands Infront of MK with much force to knock MK of his feet and break the ground omunder them, a

great amount of wind blows into them as they try and stay on the ground instead flying away like MK did before he got grabbed by Macaque. Wukong stands up from his kneel down position.

Lady Bone Demon : MK the Monkie kid and the Six Eared Macaque. Here to embrace it within?

Macaque : The opposite actually! I'm kinda on this whole goody streak right now. So we were hoping maybe you could call off this whole end of the world thing. Would really help us out.

MK : Uhuh! Yeah! What he said.

Lady Bone Demon: None of us can alter the course of destiny.

Macaque: Yeah. I thought as much.

Macaque and MK get ready for whenever Wukong or The Lady Bone Demon strikes. Wukong get into position.

Macaque : MK! now!

MK and Wukong charge at eachother. MK trying to block it while Wukong is going in with his fist balled up and aiming at MKs face before he could even touch MK Macaque intervenes and catches both of Wukongs fist in his hands holding them there as they fight Monkey with Monkey. Lady Bone Demon looks down at them smirking knowing that with Wukongs power and her power combined, he's two times stronger. With Wukong under her control, No one can stop her idea of a new world from coming true.

Macaque: Alright MK. I hope that staff is worth it!

He pulls Wukongs hands from the sides of his head and joins them together as he hops a bit and lands on his back making Wukong pin him down on the ground dragging him as far away from MK as possible. As they fight eachother MK runs away and towards the staff as The Lady Bone Demon watches him.

Lady Bone Demon : No matter what you do. You cannot change the path of destiny.

MK : I don't know if all this happened because it was destined to but I have to believe that I found the staff so I could use it for good. To help people. So that's exactly what I'm going to do.

MK takes a step.

MK : I'm going to take my staff and protect! This! World!

He grabs the staff and! Nothing happens. He tries pulling it pushing it but nothing works. He can't get it out of it's Ice sheath. Lady Bone Demon sighs.

Lady Bone Demon: Oh sweet child. Can't you see? Sun Wukong couldn't best me, what can you hope to accomplish what he has failed? Pass aside your stubbornness and face your demise with honor.

MK : If you really believe that destiny can't be changed! You wouldn't be using every ounce of power you have to keep him contained.

Lady Bone Demons skin cracks as she scowls at the Man child before her as her warrior Wukong takes a step closer to MK.

MK : The Monkey King I know would never stop fighting you. And neither will I...

Wukong runs up to MK with his hands stretched out towards MK but instead of grabbing MK he grabs the staff. The Pale colour from Wukongs skin and hair changes back to his original color . He grunts.

Wukong : Thanks for.. looking out for me bud.

Lady Bone Demon : No!

Wukong : Time for the hero stuff.

Mk places a hand onto the staff right under where Wukong placed his hands at and they use their combined strength to pull the staff out. A ray of light releases itself from the staff and everything disappeared. Wukong is no longer controlled by her and the spider

demons disappeared into the air.

Wukong shivers in disgust as he can still feel her crawling under his skin but all that disappears when MK ran up to hug him. Macaque in the back sees Mel flying above them, guessing what Mel was going to do he warna the two Infront of him as they turned back to look at The Lady Bone Demon.

Lady Bone Demon : Predictably unpredictable fools! I'm not one to rush destiny but I won't be undone by a troop of headstrong simians!

She uses her full power to make herself whole again. Showing them her true form not like Wukong hasn't seen it before already. The girl she possessed is no longer useful to her as she's popped out of the Lady Bone Demon. Macaque manages to catch her in his arms and they fall onto the ground.

Lady Bone Demon : If the Dragon girl won't give me the Samadhi fire willingly then I will rip it from her!

Mel : Oh no you don't.

Mel grabs her by her hair and swings her into the face of her own Mech.

Wukong : No..

Macaque : ...

Lady Bone Demon : Ugh.. Who dares!-

Before she could get a word out of her mouth she gasps in fear. It's the last person she was hoping to see. The person who put her in her place a million years ago. The Dark Phoenix. Only this time his looks has changed. He no longer has his hair tied up and he doesn't have that stupid smug look on his face all the time. But. He's still the same person who burned the whole town down.

Knowing this a sudden burst of energy hits her and she teleports Infront of Mel and kicks him to the ground right at Wukongs feet.

Mel grunts and looks up at the orange monkey who was looking down at him with the same look Macaque gave him when they met. It's no time to think about that now. He gets up and looks at Wukong but then back at Lady Bone Demon who's forcing out Mei's Power and using it to power her mech. Two swords came out of the Mechs palms and was lit by fire hotter than his and Redsons own.

This was going to be a hell of a fight.

A/N : I'm sorry if this was bad I was in a rush and I have piles of school work to finish 😓 There might be a delay for the next chapter because I have a test soon so I hope you guys understand 💝

The End? [Chapter 9]

MK bravely walks towards the Mech, clenching his fist around his staff. Confident strides towards the very thing that was going to wipe this whole planet clean. Pigsy tries to stop him but Sun Wukong held his arm out, confident that MK can do this on his own. Lady Bone Demon laughs as she swings the flaming swords of her mech towards MK thinking that it would finally end the person they call a hero but as the dust cleared up MK is sitting in his own Mech as it holds the two swords in it's hands. Lady Bone Demon thought it would have gotten him by now. She puts all her strength into pushing the swords but MK wouldn't budge.

The others, upon seeing that MK was alright. They cheered! Mel stares at him in amazement, this is the first action he's seen in decades and even though he didn't help out much, he glad that they support eachother in their time of need. Lady Bone Demon started talking and everyone listened, listened to her rant about how they were ruining her chance of making a perfect world.

MK : You can't judge things by their worst qualities!

Tang : This world may not be perfect but it's worth fighting for!

A light formed under Tang and on the floor a drawing of a spell circle formed as an aura formed around them. Macaque and Wukong looked at eachother and together they each released their power and in a line all of their inner powers hit straight to MK's Mech, making it 10x more stronger than Lady Bone Demons Mech.

MK : The perfect world is what you make it. So as long as I have my friends by my side! This world is perfect!

MK pushes the handles of the mech and the Mech switches to a different position. It's is now holding the two swords in it's fist having more control and could easily push the swords away but still struggling. Mels eyes glowed white as a sinister laugh of his own voice ringed in his head as two rays burst out of his chest and to the

mech. Giving it an unsuspected upgrade. Instead of giving power, the fire from the swords of Lady Bone Demon's mech is being pulled into Mel. No one seems to notice or no one bothers to stop it from happening. But the process. Was painful.

Redson was in the middle of getting Mei back to her senses. Reminding her who controls the samadhi fire. Not Lady Bone Demon. Her. A few moments later the dark fire turned green as Mei took control over the fire. A huge explosion happens on the chest of the Lady's Mech as green fire crawled up it's chest and on to it's arm and smashes through MKs Mech. The fire hits him, the heat in bearable but it left him a bit exhausted. A voice from beside him started.

Mei : Hey Monkey Man. Ya miss me?

MK : Huh? Mei!

Redson : Yeah. I'm here too by the way~

MK's eyes filled with joy and with determination and Tang starts the ritual. A really big circle appeared in the sky almost covering earth. A ray of light flashed through the whole land and breaking the Lady Bone Demon's doing. Line of rays of Power filled the sky from multiple direction even the moon. All of it directed on to the mech. The mech grew bigger with every ray of power and the light from it blinded Lady Bone Demon. She blinked a few times and there it was, the mech floating above her and looking down at her and her mech. MK's Mech pulled out the staff and made it grow into a size fit for the mech. The mech holds it as Nezha used his wind fire rings and resizes them and places them on the soles of the Mech.

MK: *Here*.

MK says. Getting ready to slam the big staff into Lady Bone Demons Face.

Comes.

The gang all hold on to MK. Saying his iconic line with him.

Monkey kid!

Lady Bone Demon : No! You will not take my destiny from me!

She puts out a shield to protect her but that was easily broken with a little bit of monkey, a dragon and the red of the samadhi fire. The staff hits directly on the face of the Lady's Mech and it's breaks into pieces. Finally ending her rain of terror. MK is brought into a place. A white void. With Lady Bone Demon behind him. Floating like a cloud in the sky.

Lady Bone Demon: Save your hero speech child. I existed long enough to know when it's over.

MK : You still think that the universe really wants anything from any of us?

Lady Bone Demon: Don't you?

MK : I try not to think too hard.

Lady Bone Demon: So it would seem. Know this monkey. You and I are not so different. We both fight for what we think is right. That pursuit only leads to one thing.

MK : Mhm. To destiny. Right?

Lady Bone Demon: No. To pain.

The Lady disintegrates right in front of him as he watches her dust form fly away.

Sandy : A hardy meal rich of mach nutrients is just what the body needs to refuel after battle.

Nezha : Couldn't have said it better myself.

Mel sits on the ledge of the truck eating the most delicious noodles he's tasted in his life. While enjoying his food Redson and Mei sits beside him and gives him a little smile. He smiles back and finishes the food in his mouth before he starts talking.

Mel : So. You got the hang of your new powers?

Mei : Yup! It feels amazing now that I've finally controlled it. Thanks to You and Redson.

Mel : Please I barely thought you anything. For only being my student for a day, I'm going to miss you.

Mei : You make it sound like we're going to part ways.

Mel : We are. Aren't we?

Redson : No matter how much she's controlled her powers she still needs someone to guide her. I'm sure we know who's fit for that job.

Redson says as he nudges Mel's sides.

Mel : Alright. From now on I'll teach you everything I know. No rushing this time.

Mei : Ofcourse. No rush.

The curious thing about legends, Is the way we can continue to be moved by the same stories. We're comforted by the familiar tales of friendship, courage, redemption. At times the path of the hero might seem unclear and the stories chaotic and direction less. Sometimes it may seem as though we've ended up back where we began but it's clear to see how much we've grown from the journey. For all though the story is over. There's always room on the shelf for another. The end.

As Mel settles back in his quiet living space. He waits for his temple mate to come back from his travels. But little di he know that he

was being followed by a certain deity that went to check on all the chaos down stairs. The deity finds out that Mel is still alive and not looking as dead as the stories have said him to be. The deity goes back to the celestial realm to report Mel's whereabouts to the God of Heaven. The jade emperor himself. To tell him that the very thing that threatened to kill them was here.

The Phoenix is back...

A/N : Hello :) Finally putting this book to an end. I don't think I've even explained anything about Mel in here so this probably just an introduction fic 😂 but I'm planning another fic soon that WILL tell Mel's backstory. So stay tuned for that. Anyways, I hope you guys liked this and hope you'll continue to support my content in the LMK Fandom ^^ Love you all and hope you have a great rest of your day.

Short Story 1

Mel : What's it like?

Mei : What's what like?

Mel : The city! I've never been outside of these gates other than that one time where you guys defeated Lady Bone Demon and the couple of times that I had to go to Red Sons place to dine with his parents. Other than that, I've never actually seen the other parts of the world.

Mei : You have wings for goodness sake and you're telling me that you have never been outside before?

Mel shook his head 'No'

Mei : Why?

Mel : I'm not sure myself. Qinglong never told me the reason why I had to stay here, He just said that it was dangerous.

Mei : Well~ He's not here right now is he? A little trip to the city wouldn't hurt anyone.

Mel blinks a few times. He thought about it for a second, He was getting quite bored staying in this temple for decades doing absolutely nothing. Plus, Qinglong isn't here to stop him. He turns to Mei with a grin and motioned her to lead the way.

Mei jumps into her car and starts the engine as Mel locks up the temple and turning the sign from "Open" to "closed" and hops into the backseat, then they set off into the city.

They went to every single place Mei could think of,

Pigsy's Restaurant

The Zero gravity arcade

And that's about it. The sun was going down by the time they got out of the arcade and Mel was tired. They went back home and Mel thanked Mei for bringing him outside, it was the greatest time of his life.

As they parted ways Mel could feel a presence in the temple. He was tired but he attempted to atleast scare the intruder, a few steps into the temple and he could see the figure standing in the middle of the living room. Oh crap.

It was his Temple-mate and Childhood friend, Qinglong. He was dead. So very dead.

Beach Episode!

The sun is shining and it's the start of summer. Everyone is free and have already made plans to go to the beach for some relaxation time. MK has invited every one of his friends including Macaque. The time is 2 pm and Mel was about to head off to the beach with Mei, Redson and Qinglong. Now you're probably thinking " I thought Mel wasn't supposed to go outside " And you're correct! But,,,

[A few hours earlier]

Mei : Come on! Please Mr Azure Dragon Sir! We really want Mel to come with us!

Qinglong : For the last time, No. He is not allowed to go out or he'll be in terrible danger.

There was silence for a bit but then Mei came up with an idea. She took out her bag and dug her hands into it, searching for something. Other items from her bag were flying out into wherever it decides to land in the spacious room. Finally, after a few she finally found it. Her Makeup kit.

Mei : Since Mel is easily recognizable because of his unique hair color, what if we just change that and then he can come with us after he's been unrecognize-afied!

Redson: You're going to give my mentor a makeover?

Mei : If it's okay with Qinglong Ofcourse.

They turn to Qinglong as he thought about their ridiculous idea. Ridiculously smart idea. Qinglong knew that Mel was eager to go out since he's been cooped up in here for... Who knows how long. He sighs and eventually agrees. Mei and Mel jumps in delight and Mei got to work.

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MK : Mei!

Mk greeted his best friend by hug tackling her into the sand. Redson watches them before he was pulled into the hug as well. MK releases them.

MK : I'm so glad you could make it! We've already got a spot thanks to monkey king turning into a bird for a good private spot for us. It's pretty far but the scenery is definitely worth it.

Mei : That's great MK! And I'm definitely up for a lil walk to our spot. This place is packed with people! I can't imagine any of the " celestial beings " being able to relax with this crowd.

MK : Speaking of Celestials.. where Mel?

Mei : There.

Mei points to the direction of her green and white vehicle but there Mel wasn't there. They look at eachother for a second until they hear footsteps coming towards them, they turned their head and there was Mel with black hair in a unbuttoned Hawaiian shirt with swim shorts, holding a popsicle in his right hand and a bottle of sunscreen on the other. He noticed that they were looking at him and smiled. MK's jaw dropped and immediately got in Mel's face.

MK : Wow Mel! You're new look looks amazing!

Mel : Don't get used to it. It's only temporary.

MK : Black hair suits you! And I mean it. Anyways everyone else is waiting for us so we better get going.

The group followed MK to the spot and Wow.. it was worth it. The sand was clean. Not a single trash in sight. And the palm trees, the cool breeze and the sea. It was just breathtaking. They already had the Volleyball net up and a game was going on. Macaque and Tang on one team and Wukong and ChanJuan on the other. Apparently they also invited others that Mel didn't recognize. One was a Jiangshi who was sitting in the shade, and the other a Qilin who
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was sitting with the Jiangshi probably to keep her company. As they approached the group they set their belongings down and laid out their towels. Mei and MK joined in on the volleyball game while Qinglong, Mel and Redson were sitting under the umbrella putting sunscreen
On eachother.

Qilin: Are you guys like. A family?

Qinglong : Oh no. We're all just friends here.

Qinglong says as he slaps sunscreen on Redsons back earning an "Ow" from the demon. Mel squeezes some onto his hand and gently rubs it all over himself.

Jiangshi : Hmm.. You smell something burning Hua Li?

Hua Li : It's probably just fire boy sitting beside us. Don't worry about it Hwang.

Hwang : Ah alright.

Hwang turns.

Hwang : Hi I'm Hwang! And this Hua Li. It's nice to meet you.

Mel : ...

Hua Li : Wrong way Hwang.

Hwang : Oh! Sorry!

She turns to Mel with the help of Hua Li.

Mel : Haha. It's alright. I'm Mel. Nice to meet you guys too.

Hua Li : Nice to meet you too.

They talked and talked. Qinglong was challenging Mei to a swimming contest and Redson and MK were the referee's. A whistle could be heard in the back as Hwang turned to that direction.

Hua Li : I can see the future you know? Would you like me to tell

your future?

Mel : Sure!

Hua Li infact could not see the future but the past. As Mel placed his hand on Hua Li's. She did her thing and watched as Mel's past began to play.

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Destruction is unfolding at the scenes. The screams of the villagers can be heard and cries of both animals and humans are playing in the flashback. Mel is seen standing in the middle of it all. Laughing hysterically to himself, as if he was proud of his destruction. His enemies, celestial guards were brutally murdered and some even crawling away from the Phoenix. The Monk Tang Sanzang stands ahead of the Phoenix, with a few familiar people. Qinglong and Ao Guang.

Mel is seen chained to the ground by a strong item given to the three by the gold star of Venus. Tang is trying to find a way to cure Mel from his own corrupted soul but-

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Hua Li couldn't take it anymore and let go of Mel's hands and harshly pushing it away from her. She was sweating profusely and Hwang could sense her distress and immediately held her shoulder. Mel looked at her with a confused smile as he tilted his head to the side.

Mel : Was my future that bad?

Hua Li couldn't think straight but her fight or flight went off and immediately stood up. Grabbing Hwang and dragging her away. Hua Li called out to Wukong telling him that they were going home and then they left. Mel was worried that he just messed up somehow but he doesn't know what he did. He hoped he could change whatever "future" Hua Li just saw.

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Hwang : Hua Li where are we going? I was about to talk to our new friend.

Hua Li : No. We can't be friends with that person.

Hwang : Why not? He seemed really nice. I didn't sense anything sinister from him.

Hua Li : Hwang. That person killed my entire race. He is dangerous. We have to report it to the Jade emperor immediately before that monster does anything else.

Hwang was didn't know if she wanted to do this but she trusted Hua Li and plus, Hua Li can see more than she can. So there they went.

Monkey King

× Sun Wukong ×

MK is dragging me to follow him to Mel's house. I don't know what he needs from this guy anyways. It irritates me just being near the god damn bird. Me and MK are on the path to his Temple. A few minutes later, we arrived and MK starts knocking on the gates. The gate opens and there he is. The split haired bird I dreaded to see after the battle. He had a fake smile plastered on his face. He's probably planning something, I shouldn't let my guard down around him.

MK smiles back and greets Mel with a hug that left Mel Breathless. Mel invites them inside and MK walks first, as I walk by him I sent the coldest glare I could muster up and I could see a shiver go down his spine as he tries to keep his smile from falling. The inside was luxurious. I wonder who he enslaved to make this. As we walked into the living room and MK sees Redson and Mei as he walks away to join them, leaving me with Mel. Mel gestures me to follow him and takes me to the tiny table he had set up. There's a teapot and tea cups on the tray on top of the table. He sat down first. I sat down Infront of him. He hands me a cup of tea. I hesitate but took it anyways reminding myself that I'm immortal. He poured himself some and took a sip of his tea, seeing that it wasn't tampered with I took a sip as well. We sit in silence for a bit but that was quickly changed as Mel started asking.

Mel : So. How did you become MK's Mentor?

I didn't want to answer but it looks like MK is going to be taking a while, so...

Wukong : My staff chose him. Thats how it all started.

Mel :

Wukong : What?

Mel : Oh. I thought you were going to continue.

Wukong : That's pretty much it and he was so excited to be my successor.

Mel : That sounds very wholesome. I'd love to see how you train him. It would be a fun little Collab! We can train together sometime.

Wukong : Yeah... Sure.

Mel : Oh yeah! How do you like the tea? It's peach flavored. Mei told me about how you liked peaches so I rummaged through my pantry to find this. Its really good in my opinion but not something I'd drink everyday.

I look down and see that I've finished my tea and went to go pour some more. Mel insist that he'd do it for me and grabs the teapot as he poured it into my cup but then he "accidentally" poured the tea on to his hands. I instinctively hissed at the pain and dropped the tea cup in my hand. Mel panicked and puts the tea pot down carefully as he got up to my side.

Mel : Oh my god! I'm so so sorry! Uh- Here!

Mel grabs my shoulders and pulls me up to stand and follow him to the kitchen as he turns the faucet and places my hand under the cold tap water. He told me to stay here while he goes to clean up the mess. He looked genuinely worried. Which is... Odd.

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It's been a few days since that incident and for some reason I found myself always running into him. I don't know if this was by coincidence or he's just doing this on purpose. One time I saw him at Pigsy's place, he was there sitting on MY seat, eating some delicious noodles. Pigsy was in front of him watching him eat, enjoying the praises that the bird was giving. Pigsy noticed me and greeted me and asked me to take a seat. I did, far away from Mel. Pigsy served my usual and I began eating while Mel has already finished his food and just noticed my presence. He waved but I
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pretended not to see him.

Then, I see him at the night market in that disguise of his.

Then, at the Zero gravity arcade, The Food wars2, The Great Wall Race3 and NOW my own home. In the middle of the night as well! I can smell his orangey scent from my bed and it's pissing me off! What was he doing here anyways.. is he planning to ambush me? Take revenge? No. I'm not going to let that happen. I got up not bothering to change out of my pink robe and went for the top of flower fruit mountain. After a bit of climbing I found him and the scent of rotten oranges filled the air. Is he... Scared? Hmph. He should be scared.

Wukong : Oi! What are you doing here.

Mel : Wukong? What are YOU doing here?

Wukong : I live here, Dumby. Now answer my question.

Mel : I don't know...

Mel turns his head to look at me and I can see his eyes. It looks like he's been crying. Is this some cheap trick to fool me?

Wukong : If you "Don't know" then leave. I can't get any sleep with your rotten scent filling my precious air.

Mel : Sorry. I'll leave in a bit. I just need some time right now.

A few moments of silence fell between us and I was really feeling the exhaustion starting to kick in. I don't know what I was doing but I found myself sitting beside him near the edge. Trying to calm him down faster by running my fingers through his hair.

Wukong : You want to talk about it?

Mel : No. I don't want to remember it anymore.

Wukong : Mm. Okay. Say, If you want to forget I've got just the thing.

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This is where I'll execute my plan. To find out what he's planning. They say "Drunk words are sober thoughts". So I brought the bird a couple bottles of peach flavored drinks and he's already wasted.

Wukong : So. How you feeling?

Mel : Gooood~ I feel like- like.. mhm.

Wukong : Great, Great. Now I've got some questions and I need you to answer them honestly. First, What are you planning to do? Are you planning to destroy the world? Destroy me?

Mel : Whaat. Why would I do that, That's ridiculous. You're real funny Monkey man.

Wukong : Tch. You're lying through your teeth even when you're completely wasted. Now tell me the truth!

Mel : Mm.. well. I am planning something. Something big!

Wukong : Yeah? And what is it?

Mel : Something... Scary. Something thats going to bring chills down your spines.

Wukong : You- I knew you were still the monster you were!

Mel : I booked. A whole haunted house for us. On Halloween~

Wukong: What.

Mel : Yeahhh. I thought it'd be a nice way to spend Halloween together! Once we're all done with that I've got a bunch of candy from my offering table that we can eat. Its going to be so fun!

Im in disbelief. No did this bird planned this wholesome outing. Has he truly Forgotten who he was? Only one way to find out.

Wukong : Do you remember her?

I pull out a picture of a beautiful lady. Her name was ChuHua. Mel
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leaned a little closer and stared at it for a second.

Mel : Nope! I've never seen her in my life. She does look alot like ChanJuan tho! I wonder if they were family.

Mel takes another swig of the drink and I sit there not knowing what to feel but i takes the bottle from Mel's hand.

Wukong : Alright. You should go home- actually you can't go home in the state you're in. You can sleep here on the couch.

I say as I'm patting the couch. He lays on the couch and got comfortable as I covered him with a pluck out a few pieces of my hair and blowing it making a blanket for him. I blew out the candle and walked to my room as I try and think about the things he just told me. Maybe... He did forget. Maybe this was a different person. Maybe a reincarnation? Maybe. He can't just hate this person just because he looked like that monster from the past. From now on, he'll treat him like a friend.

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Me and Mel got along after that whole shabang. He looked happy to see me finally enjoying his company and I felt like the weight on my shoulder ever since I met him is now gone. MK is glad that I'm finally getting along with him and the monkeys love it when he visits, I should probably make him babysit them one day. Any who, I'm glad that night happened even though I used some not so good ways to get those answers. I'd probably should inform this to Macaque and tell him that he doesn't remember anything but he probably already knew that. I've been seeing him around Mel alot lately taking the form of a crow. I guess he's been trying to keep an eye on him so he won't do his mischievous acts.

I can finally relax now.
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Confrontation

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Hwang : But Hua Li! I don't sense any negative energy on him. Powerful, yes but he seems like a good guy!

Hua Li : Hwang! You have to believe me what I saw in my vision can never be faked. He did it! I just know it!

Hwang : Are you sure... But If it was him then why would Wukong invite us if he knew it was him who did it.

Hua Li : I don't know but that's why we're going to go talk to him.

Wukong hears footsteps coming towards his house and went out to check. He saw his good friends Hwang and Hua Li, He smiles goofily at them and started enthusiastically waving at them.

Wukong : Hey guys! What are you two lovely ladies doing up here?

Hua Li : You knew didn't you?

Wukong : what?

Hua Li : You knew that that was the monster who wiped out my entire species. Why did you invite me to that stupid beach party!

Wukong : Okay! I knew but I wasn't sure if he was ACTUALLY evil because he was being so... Nice. I was skeptical about it at first but a few days of being around him he doesn't seem like a bad person. Not anymore. It's like he's completely forgotten who he was.

Hua Li : But what if this is his plan? You know how smart he can be. He's tricked us before he can trick us again!

Wukong : Yeah but-

Hua Li : Dont you remember the things he put us through?

Wukong : I- ...

Hua Li : Come on Wukong. You dont really think he's changed, do you?

Wukong : ... Yeah. You're right. I shouldn't let my guard down.

Hua Li : Exactly! Now. We're planning to report him to the Jade emperor. We've got to out an end to this birds plans! We could really use the transport Wu.

Wukong : What? The Jade Emperor? We could report it to Guanyin! Or just not report it to him at all!

Hua Li : Wukong... I know you don't want to see the Jade Emperor but you've got to put that fear aside. The fate of the world is in our hands!

Wukong : I'm not afraid! I just... Hey! How bout this. I! will go report it to him myself and I'll let you know what he says! Yeah?

Hwang : Hmm... I do want to go to the night markets later and I don't want to wait for you guys alone so...

Hua Li : Alright. I'm trusting you Wukong. We'll be heading off now!

Hwang and Hua Li turn to the exit and Wukong nervously smiles at them and when they were gone he let the breath he was unconsciously holding in, out.
A dark laugh can be heard behind him as Wukong turns around to see the Six Eared Macaque sitting in the tree behind him, just above his house.

Macaque : Looks like the monkey king is siding with the villain hmm?

Wukong : No. I'm going to tell the Jade emperor. Just. I just need solid proof.

Macaque : Oh? The " Act before thinking" Monkey King is actually using his brain for once? I'm surprised you hadn't knocked that bird

out and just ended him right then and there.

Wukong : It was complicated back then.

Macaque : Ah.. It's MK right? You don't want him to think of you like what your master thought of you all those years ago right? When you first found the lady Bone Demon.

Wukong : Maybe or Maybe not. But one things for sure. If anything happens to MK and the others I won't hesitate. Now, I might just go rest.

Wukong goes back in his house and Macaque watches him walk in. He then decides to go to Fenghuangs Temple.

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It's been a few months now and I've bumped into Hwang and Hua Li! I came up to them at this lake I found and I waved at them but HuabLi just gave me a angry disgusted look and walked away dragging Hwang with her. Was my first impression at the beach that bad? What did I do wrong?

Macaque: Looks like someone isn't getting along with someone

Mel : Macaque! What are you doing here?

Macaque : Mmm just following the person who's playing sheep. Look. I've been playing villain for a long time. It's not that hard to figure out that you're planning something.

Mel : For the love of- Why do people keep thinking I'm about to plan something evil?

Macaque: Probably because of your reputation

Mel : I have a reputation?

Macaque : Some people would say that destroying a whole village and kingdom would make you a monster.

Mel : But... I have no memories of a kingdom let alone a village?
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You're playing some kind of sick prank, right?

Macaque : Oh please! Stop the act already! We know who you are and we remember everything you've done to us. You thought you could just come back into our lives and play innocent huh? Well we weren't born yesterday. You sick. Bastard.

Mel : Listen here, Flea bag. I didn't kill nor destroyed anything or anyone. In all my years of reincarnation not a single memory has introduced me to any of that bull crap you just spat at me-

Everything went black.

Mel blinks. Adjusting his eyes to the world again. Macaque is on the dirt floor, all bloodied and beaten up. He looks down at his hands. Its got Macaques blood all over it. Mel is rapidly breathing, trying to figure out what in the world had just happened and what did he just do. Macaque coughs as he tries to get up.

Macaque: You Lil- I knew you haven't changed...

Mel panicked and ran away into a random direction. He's not sure where he's going but he needed to get away. He couldn't feel his legs or his wings but all he could do right now was run.

He can hear footsteps behind him as Macaque chases him down. Macaque couldn't really run that fast because of his injuries but he won't let Mel run away.

Mel comes across an abandoned place and without thinking he runs inside. While running in the hallways of this absolute mansion, a laugh echoes in his head. It sounded like him but it wasn't him? He stops in his tracks.

This place...

It looks so familiar.

But why?

As he looks around a little more, obviously out of breath he starts to explore and something and someone inside of him awakens.

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Macaque finally catches up to where Mel was hidden. It's a big abandoned residence. He knows exactly who's estate this is. And every little memory hurts.

The Liang Residence...

One if the mansions door is open. He's guessing Mel's in there. When he walked in a whiff of smoke hits his nose making him instantly cringe at the smell. He covers his nose and squints into the smoke filled mansion.

He walked and walked until he reached the common room. It's all burnt and in the middle is Mel on his knees with his head in his hands as his bloodied up fingers tangle into his hair. Staining them.

Pained grunts can be heard coming from Mel as he tries to figure out what's happening to him. He feels. Hot. Burning even. And that has never happened to him. He feels like he's melting into a puddle. It hurts.

Macaque : Are you trying to get me to feel bad for you? Coming to this place and looking so helpless? I didn't think you'd be so cowardly to run away back there but you look so pathetic here? Did what Monkey King do to you scared you?

Are you scared of Monkeys now? Haha! This just keeps getting better and better!

Mel : What are you doing to me? Why does it hurt so bad?

Macaque : What did I do to you? What do you mean? All I did was chase you and now we're here at the very place where you forced me to kill her.

Mel : Who..?
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Macaque : Still pretending I see..

Mel : I'm not pretending! Why don't you believe me!?

Mels voice booms as the room get hotter and hotter by the second. Macaque can feel the heat sinking in already.

Mel can hear whispers. In his head. It won't stop. Its not going to stop. He turned his head to look at Macaque. With tears in his eyes he says...

"What's happening to me?"

Before crimson red fire engulfed him.

Pained screams echoes through the halls and Macaque takes a step back as he watches the flames going berserk Infront of him. A wave of heat hits him and he can feel his powers getting drained as his six ears come out and his blind eye no longer hidden. Chills runs down his spine as the painful screams turn into a fit of laughter. Slashes of heat comes out of the fire that becoming larger and larger and Macaque has to dodge through all of them.

A white light explodes from the fire and blinds Macaque. He's blinking as he regains his eyesight from his one eye and he looks around and his eyes land on Mel... Who is.. standing.. perfectly fine. Despite him hearing his screams before.

Macaque : What the fuck was that light show about?

Mel : I'm free... I'm finally back! Haha! After years! Oh how I missed this.

Macaque: What are you on about...

Mel's head tilts up and he turns his head. His dark eyes wide as he looks at Macaque in disbelief. He looks slightly happy. Macaque recognizes those eyes. Too well.

Mel : Did you miss me, Liu Er?

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Fenghuang [Evil Persona]

Qing Long (My OC)

Hua Li (Mon's OC)

Hwang (Jae's OC)

ChanJuan (Path's OC)

Lady ChuHua (Path's OC)

Here are all the characters in the chapters ^^ If there are any more new characters I'll add them here :)

Awakened

Fenghuang : Macaque! I missed you so much! It's so good to be back! How've you been?

Macaque: I- What do you mean... You were here for years already.

Fenghuang : I wouldn't call being trapped in a shared body " back" but hey. I've finally got control of it now! Say.. You're here so that means... *Gasp* You set me free! Didn't you? You missed me that much Mac?

Macaque : Um- Uhh... (What- What did I just do. I can't think right now I've got to tell someone) Y-Yeah! Sureee... Say um why don't you get settled in and I'll go get some of my stuff and bring them here. Kay?

Fenghuang : Alright!

Macaque turns around and was about to bolt to the door while clutching his injured side but Fenghuangs voice stopped him.

Fenghuang : Oh and Liu Er...

Macaque : Y-Yeah?

In a blink of an eye Fenghuangs got Macaque pinned to the wall with both of his hands beside Macaque's head. The wall behind him cracking under Fenghuangs palms. His dark eyes looking down at Macaque.

Fenghuang : You tell anybody about my presence... I will come for you. Maybe punish you. Say, I never knew how pretty your eyes were. Maybe I could... Add it to my collection.

Fenghuang says as he reaches out for his left eye. Macaque shuts his eyes tight but after a few minutes he hears a giggle coming from the Devil himself. He opens his eyes and Fenghuangs just looking at him with a smile on his face. Him and his sick humour.

Fenghuang : Ah.. I've still got it. Aright! Off you go!

Fenghuang grabs him and turns him towards the door with his hands on Macaques back.

Fenghuang: Oh yeah! On your way here, can you bring me some food I'm getting kind of hungry. Preferably something with meat. Okay? Byee!

Fenghuang slams the door on Macaque, leaving him there.

Macaque is processing....

Macaque starts panicking....

Macaque : *(Crap Crap Crap what have I done? I've got to tell someone!)*

And so he took form of an eagle and started flying to the direction of Mel's temple, where a worried Qinglong, Mei and Redson are waiting...

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!CRASH!

Mei : What in the- Macaque!?

Macaque : Dragon girl! I need you- Uh- I need to tell-

Macaque faints from the blood loss. It's seems like Fenghuang has drained a lot of his powers. He can't heal as fast as he used to.

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Macaque wakes up to a group of people surrounding him. That group of people being MK, Wukong, CJ and Mei. He gets up but not without a stinging sensation on his side. Mei helps him up as he looks at them.

MK : What happened to you...

Macaque : Uhm.. I may have done something.... Bad.

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Qinglong: **YOU WHAT!?**

Macaque: How was I supposed to know that that demon had a good side!

Qinglong: I thought I already told you about it all those years ago! Didn't you do your research!?

Macaque: Uhhmm...

FLASHBACK

Qinglong: Six Eared Macaque... Before you start befriending Mel. I'll have to warn you about him and his other side. So I've written all the things you need to know. Signed, Qinglong the azure dragon.

Macaque stares at the letter and tosses it aside.

Macaque: Can't be that bad.

END OF FLASHBACK

Mei : No time for that. What do we do?

Qinglong : Well the last time we stopped him was when... Wukong showed up to end him out of spite. Just because he could.

Wukong : I'm sure I can do it again! It's not like he can do anything to me since we'll y'know I'm immortal!

CJ : Are you sure? Look at what he did to Macaque... He looks like he's been through hell.

Wukong : I'm sure I'll be fine CJ. Besides, I am THE Monkey King. I've fought way more dangerous demons than him, I can handle a little fire bird.

Macaque : Don't forget Wukong. He has the samadhi fire embedded into him every reincarnation. He's basically the creator of that indestructible hell fire. Who knows what he's been planning while
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being locked up in that body.

Wukong : Are you worried about lil ol' me Macaque? Don't worry! I've got this.

CJ : I'll come with you!

Wukong : Sure but I don't want you to get hurt. So stay as far away as possible.

CJ : No promises.

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Wukong and CJ arrive at the abandoned residence and Wukong took a deep breath in, not wanting to let the sad memories of him and his past lover get to him. CJ squeezes his hand making him turn to her and sighs as he calms down a bit. They walk in to the big mansion, hand in hand.

Qinglong couldn't come since he's off to find something to help get Mel back. While he does that Mei and MK are explaining things to the Bull family and the others. Wukong and CJ walk around in the mansion with Wukong looking straight ahead while CJ looks around curiously. Finally seeing the place where her past self has been living in. She can only believe that they both have had the same childhood trauma. To be the perfect daughter for their families.

As they walked and walked and walked. It feels like it's been going on forever. These halls never stop.

CJ : Can we take a break? I can't feel my legs...

Wukong : Hmm... I don't remember the halls being this long. Yeah sure, we can take a break.

Something isn't right. It feels like they've been walking in circles. Wukong swears he's seen that picture frame about a hundred times now. What if... Fenghuang set up his domain? Wukong stands up and starts looking around. If the domain is like a maze then there might be a way to get to him. He tries to find a crack in the wall or
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something but to no avail. CJ walks up to one of the pictures and starts tracing her fingers on the ripped canvas, then suddenly the canvas falls from it's place and reveals a small door way. Small enough to fit CJ but too small to fit Wukong. So he changes his form to a bee and flies in with CJ following him from behind. At the end they seem to have made it into the kitchen. Oddly the kitchens clean and new. It doesn't feel like an abandoned mansion at all. There was food on the table and CJ was getting hungry. Wukong walks up to the dining table and snatched a peach fruit from the fruit basket. He takes a bite, chews for a bit and spit it out.

Poison!?

He looks up to CJ who was about to eat a piece of apple pie but he quickly slapped it out of her hands and dragged her away from the table.

Another room, a bedroom. ChuHua's bedroom. A ghostly figure of a young woman is seen braiding the hair of the great sage equal to heaven on the foot of her bed. They're talking. Wukong almost tears as he blinks them away another scene unfolded. Wukong runs into the estate as he is shocked to see his lover lifeless in the arms of Macaque. Fenghuangs laugh echoes through his head before hessnapped out of it by CJ.

CJ : Wu, You okay?

Wukong : Hah.... I'm fine. I'm good.

He says before walking to the next room. The final room.

Fenghuang is seen on a throne of some sorts just sleeping. Like this was just another Saturday morning for him. Wukong clears his throat to grab the birds attention. Fenghuang slowly opens his eyes. First he was looking at the ceiling then when he blinked he was staring right at them.

Fenghuang: Well if it isn't the monkey king! Wow! You look so different. You aren't wearing any poor rags anymore. Tripitaka finally letting you have decent clothing aye?

Wukong : Enough Demon! I'm here to stop you once and for all.

Fenghuang: Ouch! Y'know demon to demon that REALLY hurts my feelings. Do you really think you can beat me tho?

Wukong: It was pretty easy last time wasn't it? Put you down for along time.

Fenghuang: Mmm... Yes you did but hey! new year new me right? It was pretty lonely and SO BORING in that body letting that good two shoes take control. Wouldn't you like something to spice things up a bit around here?

Wukong : I think we've had enough of spice for this year. Plus! I'd like that goody two shoes to come back. It's better than you anyways.

Fenghuang : Haha! You're funny Wukong. Oh? And is that who I think it is?

In a blink of an eye Fenghuang is right Infront of CJ. Looking her dead in the eye. He stole a glance from her ear wear to her covered eye and made a connection already.

Fenghuang: ChuHua's reincarnation? Never thought I'd see the day you two finally get together. Oh, true love never fails to surprise me! Say, do you remember your past life? Do you ever think that Wukong will only see you as your past self rather than the you now? I mean you are ChuHua's reincarnation. Maybe you're only purpose here was to motivate Wukong into doing thing-

CJ Pulls out her halberd and points it to Fenghuangs neck aas he tilts his head slightly up to avoid the sharp edge of her halberd. Like that would do anything to him. He smiles down at her.

Fenghuang: A spitting image of her...

He turns back to his throne and sits down. CJ is shaking, trying to calm herself down by breathing but it feels like there isn't any oxygen left in the room. Wukong on the other hand was livid, he charges towards the bird and changes into many forms before settling with a tiger as he leapt onto the bird but before he could

leave a scratch on Fenghuang. The bird flicked his fingers on Wukongs Nose and shot him back into a wall, leaving a big crack. Wukongs sitting with his back leaning into the broken wall as he takes a sharp inhale. He shakily stands up and charges again as Fenghuang jumped out of his seat in time for Wukong to land a punch on it creating a huge explosion and eventually reading the seat itself.

They both fight. Inches being thrown one after the other. Wukong getting a few punches in and Fenghuang taking out his firey hands and grabbing Wukongs fist. His grip was strong, Wukong can't pull his fist out. He can feel his powers being drained by Fenghuang and his eyes glow a yellow colour that's eventually fading and Fenghuangs red eyes glowing ever so brightly. As soon as Fenghuang was about to drain every single ounce of his power a Halberd was thrown into their direction forcing Fenghuang to let go of Wukong in order to dodge the attack. Wukong lays on the floor as CJ stood Infront of him, calling her halberd back before twirling it in her hands and pointing the sharp blade at Fenghuang ever so threatening. Fenghuang laughs.

Fenghuang : He's all yours.

And he disappears. The room changes to the abandoned mansion again and CJ starts breathing heavily before going to Wukongs side and asking if he was okay. Wukong assured her that he was okay and the they should go back to the others.

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Macaque: I told you you couldn't beat him.

Wukong : Oh shut up.

Macaque and Wukong are laying in beds opposite from eachother. Macaque making fun of him while Wukong glared daggers his way. They were waiting for the others to come in. This is the first time Wukong had had to be admitted to a hospital. Or more like the infirmary in the Fenghuangs temple. Qinglong comes in with a bottle of something and towels while CJ follows him close behind with MK.
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MK : Monkey King! What happened!?

Macaque: Isn't it obvious? Your mentor got his butt kicked by the everything he thought he could kill!

Wukong : Shut up! You're no better!

Wukong hisses as Qinglong applies the bottle of something onto his wounds.

MK : How are you hurt tho. Aren't you like.. immortal?

Wukong : Kid.. immortality doesn't mean I can't feel pain. It just means I can't die.

CJ : But... You looked pretty close to dying back there. Why was that?

Wukong : I- I don't know. It felt like I was being drained. Like really drained. Do you think...

Macaque: He's figured out a way to drain our powers and our immortality...

The room goes silent. They were all thinking about one thing. How were they going to stop him. There could be more to him then they knew. And it was going to take alot of trial and error to figure out all of them. Maybe once they're in better shape, then they could figure out a plan.

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Meanwhile,

Lady Bone Demon is seen being shained by her own chains in the deepest pits of hell. She looks miserable... A soft thud is heard Infront of her and footsteps come closer and closer until it stopped and a yellow feather lands Infront of her on the ground.

" Long time no see, old friend "
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The Mind

Mel wakes up in a big room. Castle walls. There is a bookshelf in the corner filled with tons of books and files, a coffee table beside the sofa he is strapped to. He tugs on his restraints. Nothing. He tries to burn it but for some reason he can't even spark a single flame. He looks up, a TV screen is showing which looks to be his temple. It's night time there.

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An eagle sits on top of the branch. Eyeing the temple in front of it, the eagle drops down from the branch and flies away. Meanwhile, Mei, Redson and Qinglong are in said temple. Qinglong about to explain to them more about Mel and his other half.

Along time ago, at a different temple, at a different place. Mel was like any other deity Kind and forgiving. He loved the towns people and the towns people loved him. They always came to him for help.

One day, His old friend Lady ChuHua visited him for his blessing and his readings on her love life with the one and only Sun Wukong. Qinglong was with them and they were almost at the end of their session. Wukong doesn't seem like he's having any interest in this, he's been glaring at both him and Qinglong but mostly him since he was the one who'll be doing his reading session. As they were separated from ChuHua and Qinglong. Mel tried to be patient with him but he keeps disrespecting him and calling him a fraud. The last straw happened and a loud boom echoed through the temple. Qinglong and ChuHua run in and see the room a complete and burnt mess. Mel's calmy smiling and Wukong has a smirk on his face, thinking he'd done something good for the people.

Rumors spread like wildfire about how Mel attacked Lady ChuHua and her partner. He has tried to deny this but this just added fuel to the fire. He ended up locking himself in his room not wanting to deal with the stress given by the towns people. Mel tries to cope but a certain person wanted revenge...
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Qinglong hears the news about Lady ChuHua and was going to report it to Mel. Thinking he'd be sad about the news but no emotion was present when he told him. He looked calmy out his window, maybe even a little amused. This was concerning behavior from Mel and asked him if he was okay. Mel responded with a nod and the a "yes" and shooed him away with his hand. Qinglong walks out and before he shut the door behind him he could see a smile on Mel's face. The door closes.

After that incident Mel went back to his life like normal. He visited a town full of Qilins, creatures who can see the past and the future. While playing with one of them they mentioned that they wanted to test out his powers on him. Mel thought nothing of it and agreed. He sat down Infront of the Qilin and held out his hand for the Qilin to take it, when the Qilin took his hand they saw a horrible future... He shoved his hand away and ran. Leaving Mel confused and worried. After that another set of rumours appeared about Mel who's going to be the one to end the world and that they should execute him before it happens. But Fenghuang wasn't going to let that happen. He ended up burning the whole town to the ground and ended the Qilins... Except for one, Hua Li.

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Hua Li : Wukong! Why haven't you told the Jade emperor yet!?

Wukong : I- Sorry Hua Li! I can't! We still haven't figured out what's wrong with Mel! It's like he's been possessed or something. Whatever is happening the real Mel is still in there. Hwang said so!

Hwang : Yes, I can feel that there are two Qi's present when I'm around Mel. I didn't think anything of it until now tho...

Hua Li : Who cares!? Not our problem. If we tell the Jade Emperor, this problem will be out of our way! I'm sure the Jade emperor can take care of it.

Wukong : But that the problem Hua Li! The Jade Emperor is just going to get rid of him! But since Mel's the heart of the samadhi fire

I'm sure he's going to be difficult to capture.

Hwang : Hmmm.... Maybe. We can call GuanYin?

Wukong : Guanyin? But she's so busy.. and I haven't talked to her for decades.

Hwang : Yeah but I'm sure she'll remember you since you have a reputation and all.

Wukong : Ha. Ha. Very funny. But still that was back when Master was still... Alive. I don't think she'll be of help.

Hwang : ...

Hua Li : But maybe Qinglong can ask her for help. He's still one of the respected legends in all Chinese folklore so I'm sure he can ask THE Guanyin for help.

Wukong : You're right! Let's go to Qinglong right now!

As the trio flew to Qinglong and Mel's temple on the somersault cloud a set of eyes were watching them from afar.

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Qinglong : Genius! I can definitely go ask her but it's going to take a while to get there... But anything to get Mel back.

Wukong : Great! Then we get Guanyin and capture Mel!

Hua Li : Tch...

Hua Li looks outside and caught a glimpse of orange hair passing by the gates.

She gets everyone's attention and tells them to come outside, when they did a disheveled Mel appeared into view, coming in from the gates.

Mel : Guys! -

Wukong : Why are you here!?
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Mel : What! It's my home! Wukong get off me right now!

Qinglong : ...

Mel : Please! Let me explain! Me and that other me are different! Just give me a few minutes of your time before he wakes up again!

Qinglong: ...

Hwang : ...

Hua Li : ...

Wukong : ...

Mei : Let's hear him out..

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Mel : So as you know, legends says that Fenghuang was always one singular person but then was split into two individuals, Good and Evil. The evil one, we call Fenghuang but is also called Jiu Feng in other parts of china. He was regarded as one of the earliest forms of the Chinese Phoenix Fenghuang. After an incident that happened long ago between the Kingdom of Chu and its former overlord, the reigning Zhou Dynasty, the bird, being the totem creature of the Chu people, was demonised as a result. Then I was born to be the good side of Fenghuang. Basically two people in one body.

Everyone in the room was trying to process it.

Mei : Then is there a way to get Jiu Feng or Fenghuang out of you?

Mel : Not that I know of. But I did see him talk about his plans while I was trapped in our shared body. He said he was going to plan something. Something big! A war between worlds perhaps.

Redson : Do you know when exactly is it going to happen?

Mel : In 2 days. At the gates of heaven.

Wukong : He's going to go after the jade emperor? We've go to go to
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Guanyin now.

Mel : Guanyin?

Hwang : Yeah! We're gonna get her to help you! Maybe she knows a way to get that demon out of you.

Mel : Oh.. Great! Please do tell me EVERYTHING.

Mei : Okay. So you said that Fenghuang was going to go attack heaven. Before that happens were going to capture him with one of Guanyins mantra traps. We'll figure out a way to separate you from that demon. We don't know how but hopefully we'll find a way.

Mel : Thanks guys.

Qinglong : I'm so glad you're back. Even if it's just for a little bit. I promise you that we'll put an end to this forever. And we can go back to our normal lives.

Mel : Please do. I hate it in there. Not so very comfortable and so very lonely.

Wukong : If there's going to be a war. We've got to do something to stop it. I'll talk to MK first thing in the morning and we'll talk about how to stop that.

Mei : Great! And me and Qinglong will come get my uncle to help also!

Redson : I'll get my mother and Father. They know a thing or two with wars. I'm sure they can help us.

Mel : Perfect. Thank you guys.

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Mel left. Back to the place where Fenghuang was before. As he flew he couldn't but to chuckle a bit.

Fenghuang : Idiots
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He flew back to the Liang Residence and walks into one of the houses where Lady Bone Demon is brewing something up.

Fenghuang : Is the corruption spell ready?

LBD : Just a few more ingredients and it should be ready.

Fenghuang : Great! Now don't forget! If you mess it up on purpose I'll make your life a thousand times worse than what you've experienced down there in hell. So don't mess up!

LBD : Yes... My Lord.

Fenghuang smiles and walks away. Lady Bone Demon looks at the cauldron. She didn't want to be causing chaos again.. but she had no choice.

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Mel struggles in his restraints but it seems like it's getting tighter and tighter by the second. He slumps in the chair letting out an annoyed groan and tries to relax. The restraints loosen. He notices this and tries to empty his mind and just relax. The more he relaxes, the more the restraints loosened and suddenly he was free! Rubbing his red wrists he gets up and looks around the room. He walks to the door behind the sofa and tries to open it but to no avail. It's seems to be locked. He looks around for a key but found nothing. He sees the books on the shelf and tries to take one off. It was a lever. A click can be heard and the door opens.

Mel : Well that was... Easy.

He walks out. The castle was like every ordinary castle. Big, well decorated and lots and lots of rooms. Mel walks into room number one, a dining room with pretty silverware set on the table but only one plate was filled with food. Room number two, a bedroom with the most comfortable mattress and the fluffiest pillows. He could lay here forever but he has to find a way out. Plus! He already slept very uncomfortably in that sofa. Room number three, a huge library. Filled with almost all the books you could probably think of. One section was called "Life". He took one out and flipped
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through the pages, it was just filled with a lot of cursive writing that he could hardly read.

They're talking about me again. I don't like it. I wish I could just get rid of them forever! But that'll ruin my image. I can't let that happen. Not again. Theyre asking Buddha to get rid of me forever. No. I don't want that to happen. I don't want to disappear. What if I didn't run away. What if I wasn't a coward. What if I wanted them to kill me... What if I wanted them to try. Now they know who to not mess with.

Mel feels kind of bad for him. He put the book back and explored more of the library picking up books here and there. The writing has gotten more readable.

Chuhua is so kind. too bad her boyfriend is an idiot. I would've preferred that she live longer. I've asked Macaque to go disguise as Wukong and kill her but it's taking a while and he's dragging this out moire than it should be. He's fallen for the girl. These monkeys are so useless, do I have to do everything myself? He was begging me not to kill her and that he would do it himself soon. I gave him three days. If not then I'll be doing it myself.

Qinglong... Killed me? I thought he was my best friend? I guess I was wrong. Everyone hates me. Why is everyone out to get me? That stupid monkey and that stupid monk! I'm going to get them one day...

Sometimes I envy how easily people can make friends. The only reason my "friends" became friends with was because I'm the one powerful being who helped create the universe. I guess they just want something to brag about. Look at the new me. Already making so many friends in a day. I'm so mad. Why can't I be like him?

This place is so lonely. I called it the mind palace. A big castle with the prettiest designs and the coziest looking interior. When will I be able to get out. I want to get my revenge on those who've wronged me. I'm quite hungry. Might go eat. Food just shows up out of no where in this place. Saves me money.

The door to the castle has opened. I'm free.

Mel guesses he's been documenting his whole life in these books. Mel rubs his eyes. Maybe he can continue another time. He puts the book back in the shelf and leaves the room. A scroll falls of the

shelf. It's tied with a blue ribbon and has a wax skull seal on it.

!!For those who couldn't read the fonts!!

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I found out that if you're reading on the website you can't see the fonts so I've took screenshots of them for you. All in order.

No more fonts in the future havdjdv

Day 1

Qinglong, Mei and Redson are off to find Guanyin while Wukong, Macaque and CJ are going to the Jade Emperor to warn him about the war threat by Jiu Feng. (Btw if you don't know Jiu Feng is Fenghuang I just wanted to change his name)

They arrive at the Jade Emperor's place and as they were about to walk through the gates, a bunch of guards started to surround them. They had their backs against eachother trying to watch the guards as they slowly created a pathway for the jade emperor.

Jade emperor : And what are you doing here? Sun Wukong.

Wukong : JD! Can't I visit an old friend of mine?

Jade emperor: Spit. It. Out.

Wukong : I'm here to tell you about threat. A threat to attack the heavenly realm.

Jade emperor: Are you sure this isn't some kind of sick joke you're playing?

CJ : No. It's not. I swear to you.

Jade emperor: Well. If it is true. Then you won't have to worry. My army has fought countless of wars. We will surely win.

Wukong : But you don't know who you're fighting against.

Jade emperor: I suppose I don't. Mind telling me. Oh, The great sage equal to heaven?

Wukong : Fenghua- I mean. Jiu Feng...

A cold shiver and a concerned look pass by the Jade emperors face.

Jade emperor : The... The samadhis fire origins?

All three of them nod while looking at the deity with a stern look. The Jade emperor turns back to where he came from.

Jade emperor : Bring them to the meeting room and get me General Guiying!

His voice booms as he walks away. The guards guided them through the palace and into the large meeting room where a long table is and many seats were placed. They take a seat on the same side. While waiting they were served a glass of water and some snacks. Well they look like something you could get at a fancy restaurant not the bags of chips that people usually refer to as snacks.

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Qinglong: GUANYIN!

Guanyin : Qinglong? Oh my.. what are you doing here?

Qinglong: Guanyin! We need your help... It's about Mel.

Guanyin: Hold on. Catch your breath and then you can tell me what has happened to your friend. Who are these two?

Redson : I- It's nice to meet you again. Lady Guanyin.

Guanyin: Ah, Ofcourse Redson. You haven't been up to anymore trouble have you?

Redson : No ma'am! I have not..

Mei : And I'm Mei! I believe you would know my ancestors.

Guanyin: Ah yes! You've grown up to be a very strong girl. I'm so glad there will be someone to keep the family traditions going.

Qinglong: Guanyin. Mel is gone and Jiu Feng is back. We believe that Mel is stuck somewhere...

Guanyin: The mind palace, I suppose. That is the only explanation for his disappearance but a way to get him out of there.. that is
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impossible. Unless he finds the exit himself there is no other way of getting him out of there.

Mei : So what you're saying is that Mel has to find the exit? How hard can it be?

Redson: Not hard. Just... You won't know which door it is that's all. I've read about the mind palace and only a few people have ever had it. They wrote about how it's just a place with unlimited necessities. You can basically live there forever.

Mei : How are we supposed to tell Mel that he should get out?

Redson: We'll just have to hope he does get out.

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The Jade emperor paces back and forth while waiting for his general to arrive. The door opens and incomes the general.

General Guiyin : I have arrived your highness. Hello.. Sun Wukong.

Wukong : It's been a while Guiyin. How are you..

General Guiyin : ... Good. Now let's talk about our plans.

Guiyin places down a scroll and let's it roll on the table. It's a map of the whole place. They began planning.

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CJ and Macaque walk into the room with drinks in hand

Guiyin: Good now that we have that settled, let's get down to busine- *noticed Cj and holds breath*

Guiyin: you..

Cj: huh? Me?

Guiyin: youre..*looks at swk* shes...

Swk: yes we know, its not that big of a deal

Guiyin: NOT THAT BIG OF A DEAL?! ARE YOU INSANE?! ITS A HUGE DEAL!

Cj: im sorry...who are you?

Swk: Cj this is General Mu Guiying reincarnated. I've kept in touch with her every reincarnation. She will help us with the order of attack against Jiu Feng.

Cj: but there's got to be another way! Jiu Feng may have taken over Mel's body, but Mel is still in there!

Swk: I know, cj but we have no choice. We have to plan an order of attack before the Jade Emperor wipes him out for good

Guiyin: he is right, we don't know how long it will take fenghuan to reincarnate, but its better than him burning up the world.

Cj: there has to be another way! *rushes off*

Macaque: CJ! I- wait up!

Macaque chases after her. Leaving Wukong with the heavenly deities.

Guiyin: shouldn't you go check up on her?

Wukong : No. This is more important right now. Shall we continue?

Guiyin: ... Alright.

They continue to discuss their plans of attack. While CJ is running off out of the castle with Macaque behind her, clearly out of breath.

Macaque : Come on CJ. Let's go back inside.

CJ : No! He can't just kill off Mel like that! I mean- I know he can reincarnate but. It's going to be painful for Mel nonetheless... I just. There's got to be another solution.

Macaque sighs. Walking up to CJ to walk beside her.

Macaque: If only there was someone we can go to. Someone who's

had the same experience.

CJ : Yeah... Wait.

CJ hits her face with her palms and groans into it.

CJ : Macaque! You're a genius! I'll be right back!

CJ runs off somewhere and Macaque just stays there. He decides to walk around, I mean. This is his first time here in the heavenly realm. Might as well make the most of it.

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CJ is sitting under a tree near a pond. Breathing in and out, trying to calm her mind and focus. She shows up in the Liang estate, or some sort of form of it. She walks around trying to find Lady ChuHua. She spots her. She walks up to her.

CJ : Lady ChuHua?

Chuhua: Oh God! You scared me CJ.. what brings you here?

CJ : I need your help. Mel's alter ego Jiu Feng is taking over his body and well... He's too powerful to defeat. Maybe... You have something that can help us?

ChuHua : Hmm... Well there is my Halberd. But that is hidden away somewhere in the Liang estate. Gosh.. I wish I could recall where it was. I'm so sorry, I wasn't of much help to you.

CJ : No. no. It's what I needed. Thank you ChuHua.

CJ comes to give ChuHua a hug and she returns it. As CJ was about to get up ChuHua mentions that only the skilled have ever used it. It took her tons and tons of training to be worthy of wielding it. CJ assured her that she was worthy and leaves.

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Mel is rummaging the whole place but he can't seem to find anything to get him out of here. Maybe it is in the library. He walks

into the library and groans at the sight of the many books on the shelves.

Mel : This will take forever! There is no way I'm finding a way out of here before the war happens.

He slumps down on one of the couches and sighs in defeat. But then a blue scroll catches his attention. He picks it up and reads it.

Start. Stairs. Left. Left. Door 12.

He follows the directions and he gets to the door. He opens the door. Oh wow. More doors. Great.

He travels down the hall way of doors. They're all labeled but one catches his eye. ChanJuan. He opens it up and a bright light blinds him.

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Macaque is chilling. Just taking a stroll. Until CJ comes and ruins his peace and quiet by shouting at him telling him to help her with something.

CJ : Can you please bring me back to the Liang estate!

Macaque : What!? Are you insane? You know Fenghuangs there. How are we supposed to get pass him?

CJ : I know a weapon that can possibly help us weaken Jiu Feng! But it's somewhere in the Liang estate and I need your help.

Macaque: I- are you sure this... Weapon can be of help to us?

CJ : It's a worth shot!

Macaque : ...

CJ: Come on Macaque! Please!

Macaque: Fine. I admire your determination woman. Now come on before Wukong finds us.
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LBD : It's done.

Jiu Feng: Oh good. I was getting tired of waiting. Come now. Bring the potion and I'll bring us there.

LBD : Bring us where?

Jiu Feng : You'll see.

Jiu Feng picks up Lady Bone Demon bridal style and flies away to their destination.

Macaque and CJ pop out of a bush.

CJ : Now's out chance! Come on!

CJ and Macaque get up and rush towards the door. As they open the door they quickly search the whole house. Every nook and every cranny but still no weapon. Hours passed by and they can't find it anywhere.

Macaque : Are you sure it's here CJ? Because I don't think it is.

CJ : I'm positive it's here somewhere.

Before they could tear the place aart again any longer an eagle screech can be heard coming from outside.

Macaque : He's back! Hide!

Macaque pulls CJ under the bed with him. The door opens and footsteps follow. Jiu Feng is back but without Lady Bone Demon. What happened to her? CJ and Macaque are covering their mouths so they won't lose control of their breathing and give away their spot. Jiu Feng passes the room they're in. They wait a while.

CJ, whispers : I think he's gone.

Macaque : Yeah I think so too...

They crawl out of the bed and peek out the door. No one there.
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They tip toetowards the exit but the exit is so far. They had to be quiet until they reach the door.

One step

two steps

three steps

four

five

six

seven

eight

nine

creak.

So much for being sneaky. They turn around to see if Jiu Feng heard it. They hear no footsteps. They relax and continue their journey to the exit. The closer they were there the faster they got.

CJ : Macaque we're almost there.

They made it to the door they swing it open and see daylight again. They smile but that smile changed when Jiu Feng lands Infront of them stopping them from escaping.

Jiu Feng : Looks like I've caught myself some pesky mice